

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) An engine-driven work machine comprising
a pipe frame,
a transportable structure ~~that is~~ attached to a the pipe frame,
a sling fitting ~~being~~ provided above the pipe frame ~~and rotatably connected~~
~~thereto , the sling fitting having two ends, the sling fitting being hinged to the pipe~~
~~frame at the two ends of the sling fitting for rotation of the sling fitting with respect~~
~~to the pipe frame and to be held firmly in place on the pipe frame, and~~
a stopper stopping rotation of the sling fitting in a near-vertical direction.
2. (Cancelled)
3. (Withdrawn) The engine-driven work machine as described in Claim 1, further
comprising a shock-absorber on a side of the sling fitting.
4. (Currently Amended) The engine-driven work machine as described in Claim 1,
wherein the sling fitting ~~having~~ has a bent section, ~~which extends~~ extending at a

right-angle to the a bottom edge of a center section, and ~~bent sections, which are~~
approximately C-shaped in ~~plan view and are~~ sections provided ~~near both~~ adjacent
to the two ends of the sling fitting.

5. (New) The engine-driven work machine according to Claim 4, wherein the C-shaped sections comprise hinge sections for rotationally supporting the sling fitting and for engaging with the stopper.